

ST MARY MAGDALEN, KNIGHTON

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held by Zoom at 7.30pm on Thursday 25 June 2020

Present: Revd Adrian Jones (Vicar; Chairman), Revd Matthew Gough (Curate), Angelica Amoroso, Mary Britton, Sian Howard, Michael Kirk, Bob Rutland, Nigel Siesage (Secretary), David Stanyer (Treasurer) and Tanya Willis

Apologies for absence were received from Andrew Oldershaw and Rosalind Mathews

1. Prayers and reflection

The Vicar led the meeting in prayers and reflection on Matthew 7.

2. Coronavirus Risk Assessment

The meeting had been called for the specific purpose of considering the risk assessment required by the Church of England in the light of the Covid-19 pandemic. These covered:

1. Individual access by clergy and authorised users
2. Private prayer by congregation and general public
3. Funeral services

At this stage, directions from the Government and advice from the Church on the possibility of opening for worship were still awaited.

The Vicar had drafted assessments for St Mary's using the Church's pro forma, and the PCC also benefited from a written commentary by Mr Oldershaw.

The PCC considered each of the templates in turn. These were endorsed, subject to detailed drafting suggestions, and the following specific points were agreed:

- The church could be opened for private prayer at stated times on Wednesday and Sunday only; the west door should be used for entrance and exit; toilets should be closed; seating should be limited.
- Funerals: a decision on opening for funerals should be deferred.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm with Grace.

Chairman